Subject: Coin collection--disposal of.

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Guatemala, 18th November, 1933

The American Numismatic Society,
156th Street & Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.
U. S. A.

Dear Sirs:

I have been advised by the National Geographic Society that you could probably give me some helpful suggestions regarding collectors or dealers who might be interested in buying a collection of coins I wish to dispose of.

In order that you will not be working in the dark, I am enclosing a photograph of five of the more interesting specimens of old Roman coins, which are probably of more value than the rest. The photos are of both sides. The majority are coins of Spain and Central America dating between the eithteenth and nineteenth century. During January or February, Ishall be having a quantity of old Spanish coins for disposal.

I shall be pleased to hear from with regards to the liklihood of selling my coins and approximate prices you usually pay. Also, if possible a valuation of the coins a photo of which I enclose.

I shall also be only too glad to forward any of the coins you are interested in and that I can obtain a reasonable price for.

Awaiting your news with interest, I remain, Dear Sirs,

Yours very faithfully,

R. T. Serrano, Jr.

December 11, 1933.

Mr. R. T. Serrano, Jr.
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Dear Sir:

I have been thinking over your letter of November 18th and do not see any way in which we can help you out. Dealers as well as collectors in this country are buying very little nowadays - in fact they have more offered them than they can buy. Also I doubt if anyone would buy without actually seeing the coins. Rubbings or photographs or descriptions would not do.

Your five Roman coins are not rare, and the condition appears to be none too good. Personally I doubt if you could get $1.00 for the five pieces. Spanish coins are not very saleable over here, though certain rare Central American coins might be, especially some of the gold. If you have any rarities in Central American coins you might send up pencil rubbings of these with your price and I can let you know whether we want them or they are saleable up here.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator